

WIMBORNE MINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of the **PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** held on **TUESDAY 7 OCTOBER 2008 at 6.30 pm** in the Committee Room, Town Hall, Wimborne Minster.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Cllr M J Hodkinson (Chairman)
Cllr D G L Packer (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Mrs D J March
Cllr A K Oliver, MBE
Cllr T F Wheeler
Cllr R D Cook – Ex-Officio – Chairman of the Council
Cllr J Burden – Ex-Officio – Vice-Chairman of the Council

COMMITTEE MEMBER NOT PRESENT & APOLOGIES GIVEN

Cllr R W Booth

125 **REGIONAL SPATIAL STRATEGY (Min 83 - 29.08.06)**

The Chairman submitted a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as **Appendix A** to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

The report set out the changes affecting housing development in Wimborne Minster made by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government to the Regional Spatial Strategy.

RESOLVED

- (a) that the Town Council maintains its opposition to any additional housing around Wimborne Minster;
- (b) that the following additional comment be made in respect of the proposal to develop the land at Cuthbury allotments:

"The development of this area, which has been identified in the Regional Spatial Strategy, has not taken into consideration the necessary infrastructure which will be required for these new dwellings in this urban extension. Piecemeal small developments do not usually attract the necessary contributions to infrastructure such as schools, community centres, improved transport, sufficient affordable housing etc. If Cuthbury were built on, this is one of the few remaining "green lungs" in the Parish of Wimborne Minster, the others being mainly water meadow land and two recreation grounds. Cuthbury is

presently used as allotments and another piece of land would have to be found as a replacement. Although Wimborne Minster appears to be surrounded by “green”, these are in other Parishes and it is important that what little green open space is left within the Parish of Wimborne Minster should be protected for future generations. Once built on it is very rare for land to be returned to green open space.”

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REVISED JOINT MUNICIPAL WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

The Chairman submitted a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as **Appendix B** to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

The Chairman and Town Clerk had provided the Committee with a suggested response to the questionnaire on the future approach to Waste Management.

RESOLVED

- (a) that the questionnaire as drafted by the Chairman and Town Clerk be approved for submission to the Waste Strategy Review Team;
- (b) that the additional comments of Cllr Booth included as Appendix 2 of the Chairman's report also be forwarded to the Review Team.

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DORSET ROADS & TRANSPORT SURVEY

The Chairman submitted a draft response to this survey, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as **Appendix C** to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

The Committee considered its response to each question based on the Chairman's suggestions and made various changes.

RESOLVED that the completed questionnaire as amended and attached as **Appendix D** to these Minutes be forwarded to Dorset County Council.

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DRAFT BUDGET 2009/2010

The Committee considered its draft budget, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as **Appendix E** to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the draft budget, as submitted, be approved for submission to the Policy & Review Committee.

129 **THE EAST DORSET DISTRICT (ST JOHNS HILL, WIMBORNE
NO 4) TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 2008 WIM/71/1**

The Town Clerk submitted for information a notice dated 18 August 2008 and schedule from East Dorset District Council relating to this Tree Preservation Order, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as **Appendix F** to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

130 **PLANNING DECISIONS**

The Town Clerk submitted for information a schedule of planning decisions made by East Dorset District Council, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as **Appendix G** to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

131 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMENTS**

The Town Clerk submitted for information a schedule of comments on planning applications between 18 August and 8 September 2008, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as **Appendix H** to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

The meeting closed at 7.25 pm

Signed Dated
Town Mayor and Chairman of the Council